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FOUR NAMED ON **WAGE COMMITTEE** BY GEN. M'ADOO

Are to Analyze and Recommend Action on Wage and Labor Questions.

DIVIDES UNITED STATES INTO THREE OPERATING REGIONS

Board Also to Hear All Complaints and Make Necessary Inquiry.

RAILWAY EEADS ARE CHOSEN

Directors Will Undertake to Supervise General Transportation Problems of Districts.

WASHINGTON, January 18 .-- Directer-General McAdoo announced to-night appointment of a railroad wage committee of four public men to analyze and recommend action on all wages and labor questions pending before the government railroad administration. cluding the railway brotherhoods' de

eral put into effect a new system of government railroad administration by dividing the country into three operating regions-south, east and westand placed a rathroad executive at the bead of each as his representative. wage commission consists of

Secretary Lane, Interstate Commerce Commissioner C. C. McChord, Judge J. Harry Covington, chief justice of the District of Columbia Supreme Court, and William R. Willeox, who to-night aunounced his resignation as chairman the Republican National Committee. It was planned originally to pass only on the four brotherhoods' wage debut so many other labor questions have been submitted to the di-

to railroad managements before the Confederacy's chieftain. government assumed control.

ing into that State from points cast of MORAL WELFARE BILLS the Indiana-Illinois State line; also the Western and the Virginian Bailways." SOUTHERN DISTRICT EMBRACES

The Western district is composed of as some believe, jurisdiction of all directors.

"Orders issued by the gentlemen der No. 4," establishing the operating form the committee.

will consist of five or six divisions, time. with a chief of cach.

unorganized railroad labor has asked the Legislative Reference Bureau to Director-General McAdoo for a wage meet current expenses; to appropriate increase, or has sought a conference \$2,000 to reimburse Governor Stuart to discuss some phase of the employ- for repairs made to the old Davis ment situation. These include engineers and enginemen, firemen, conduc. Augusta County to issue warrants to tors, trainmen, switchmen, telegraph- carry present floating indebtedness, to PETITION IS SIGNED ers, maintenance of way employees, levy tax to pay interest on debt and to machinists, shop men and train dis- establish a sinking fund to pay off the The petition filed yesterday after-

announcement of his policy, it is gen- districts; to amend Torrens land act the signatures of 4,242 citizens. Of erally believed that a number of wage so as to include in its operation Pitt- this number it is expected that some increases will be allowed.

Transportation of coal was pushed to-day by railroads, but weather conditions through the entire Middle West SHARP DEBATE OVER and Pennsylvania still made movement and added:

sible effort be made by the railroads were Messrs. Corbitt. Goodloe, Hening, "To the Council of the City of Richto move coal and to co-operate to the Jordan, Robertson, Royall and Webb. limit with the fuel administration for Senate bilis 21, 22 and 23, providing

the industrial and normal activities of on motion of Senator Andrews, who frame, and request that it be granted,

Design Aircraft to Carry Large Guns

By Associated Press.1 WASHINGTON, January 18.-Ex-perts under the aircraft production board are already at work, it was learned to-day, on an engine that is expected to surpass the Liberty motor in power, while retaining all the qualities for quantity production. While the original Liberty meter included no mechanical innovations or experiments, the designers have been given full latitude in the new machine, and it probably will mark distinct progress in the art of airplane engine designing. For that reason details of construction are highly confidential.

American experts have worked on the theory that a good big sirplane is better than a good little ajrplauc. They believe super-dreadnoughts of the sir will be the masters of the nir, and consequently the new engines are being developed to run planes of increased size and fightpower. Months ago General Pershing urged that American designers anticipate craft armed with six machine guns each, three heavy and three light. At that time no serious attempt was being made in Europe to get more than four guns aboard any plane.

The Navy Department also is at work on designs for advanced types of seaplanes.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL VISIT CAMP LEE TO-DAY

Will Participate There in Celebration HOBSON DECLINES TO of Birthday of Gen-

cral Lec.

Appropriation Bills.

With many of the larger problems to refer them all to the board, well on their way to ultimate solu- at the February meeting of the Com- of the imperialists; I am not talking It will hear all labor complaints or tion, the General Assembly closed its petitions, make careful investigation second week yesterday afternoon with and recommend a course of action to adjournment to Monday noon. To-day The commission's inquiry will deal being the birthday of Robert E. Lee. with general conditions affecting rail- no session will be held, but many of the members will go to Camp Lee to any specific request or complaint has he guests of a Pennsylvania regiment been made to the director-general or which is to honor the memory of the

While the present week saw Hule WANT REPRESENTATIVE In charge of Eastern railroads Mr. definitely accomplished by the Assera-McAdoo retained A. H. Smith, president bly, a tendency to get down to the New York Central, who has real business before it was apparent, be called by the Council, providing

peake and Ohio, Norfolk and Western appointed to report on their consistency and the Virginian Ratiways, and also with the newly revised Code. The Code to be submitted to popular vote those railroads in Illinois and Indiana itself is an object of much discussion extending into those States from and may not be "swallowed" so readily

The big event that the Assembly has the balance of the country. It exchides those roads running into lilinow to look forward to is the inaumittee printed, causing a delay of one
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"Again, there has been no response
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"Again, there has been no response named, in their capacity as regional directors, will be issued by authority of the director-general, and will be respected accordingly." says "general or der No. 4." establishing the operating

The directors will undertake to su- The inauguration will occur Februpervise general transportation prob- ary 1. Military parades, in which it is cities where a charter commission had BOCHES WILL NEVER PHONE lems of their districts, and will be the heped the Virginia soldiers at Camp field marshals of the central organiza- Lee will be permitted to participate, the tion, which the director-general is ex- inaugural ball, the Governor's reception practically every instance the bicampected to form permanently in a day and many other features must be aror two. This organization probably ranged in the two weeks before that

Bills passed by the House yesterday

tentiary

mud-slinging by a vote of 29 to 7. "I urge and direct that every pos. Senators voting against the measure lows:

accomplishment of the desired end, for the system of State highways were "I hope that the officers and em- made a special order for Tuesday at hereby request your bonorable body ployees of the railroads will do their 12:30 o'clock, when they will be heard to provide, by ordinance, for the holdpart so effectively that there may be and probably engrossed for the third ing of an election to determine, Shall no further occasion for interruption of reading. This action was postponed this city take the necessary steps to

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CHARTER PETITION FILED BY HOBSON

Paper, Containing 4,242 Signa- Lloyd George Startles Tradetures, Requests Election on New Form of Government.

Charter Commission as Best Way to Secure Results.

Petitions containing the signatures of 4,242 citizens, said to be more than 25 per cent of the qualified voters of be changed, were filed with Clerk Wal- ister, to-day gave the government late yesterday afternoon by Graham more men for the army, and also re trative Board. This action had been recent speech of President Wilson eral days, and did not come as a sur. alles and the United States.

Ainshe for presentation to the Coun. firing line, cil. In certain quarters it is con- As to the urgency of raising more tended that action on the petition is men. Lloyd George said that automatically

MAKE STATEMENT

circulated and filed. The paper will be sent to the Mayor immediately af-ter it is checked by the clerk of the court, and will probably be submitted. "I am not talking about the demands men Council.

the inauguration of the movement.

The big road bills were reported out that the petition contains the signa- AGREEMENT WITH PRESIDENT headquarters in New York, of both Senate and House committees tures of 25 per cent of the qualified president of the Chi- and definite working schedule was de- voters of Bichmond, the people will "I felt very strongly that the time cago and Northwestern, was appointed vised by committees on finance and first decide whether or not the charter had come for restating our war aims regional director for territory west of appropriations. During the coming shall be changed. They will vote "yas" and for restating them in a way that circle ourse in machine gunnery at St. week many of the bigger problems be- or "no." The remainder of the ballot would carry with us all the moderate Omer, was expounding the theory of Southeastern roads were as: fore these committees will be argued will be devoted to the candidates for rational opinion of this land and all scientific machine gunnery. He himsigned to C. H. Markham, president of and placed before the legislators. Con- the charter commission, which will be other lands. Almost simultaneously self-had never actually be-u under fire the Hilmois Central, with headquarters federate pensions, appropriations for elected at this election, and the election the same idea came to President Wil-The Eastern division consists of officials and allowances for jailers are people vote against charter changes ritory north of the Ohio and Po- consuming much of the committees. Strong pressure will be brought to territory north of the Ohio and Po- consuming much of the committees' Strong pressurs will be brought to was none.

tomac Rivers, "and east of Lake Michi- time and are expected to be the ob- bear to bring out as candidates for "President Wilson and myself laid my head like a Zeppelin, and I noticed gan and the Indiana-Illinois State line; ject of much discussion on the fleors this commission several prominent down what was substantially the same an uneasy squirming among the rest those railroads in Illinois extend- when committee work is completed. downtown husiness men, it was stated program of demands for the termina- of our crew, ELFARE BILLS

ATTRACTING ATTENTION

is a certain group of men, is became, who are unwilling to follow ceived? Throughout the whole of the ROADS SOUTH OF POTOMAC

The Southern district is defined as including "all railroads in that portion of the United States south of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers and east of the "and potomac Rivers" and east of the "and pot and Potomac Rivers and east of the war measures is being held in abeyance shed" worl, by any one faction in the main accepted them as very fair drafting the new charter. When drawn, the work of a charter commission has eWhat has been their reception

MANY BELIEVE COUNCIL

Since the Common Council ordered for yesterday by the Senate and House to was trying to evade the matter at this from any man in any position in Gerarrange plans for the ecremonies in- time. "It was evident that members many that indicates a desire on the and also scratch. cident to this event, and preparation were in no hurry to consider the mat- part of the ruling powers in that land. It is one of the chief indoor sports

been abolished, and in its stead had "There has been but one answer, and it government. This was especially true Nearly every class of organized and include those to appropriate \$1.200 to ratified the which, last fall, sideration of the wrongs of Alsaceratified the plan, as submitted by its Lorraine. What is the answer from charter commission. The proper bills Germany?-- 'Never!' to carry out this form of government !

BY 4.242 CITIZENS

debt; to declare the courthouse lot in noon by Mr. Hobson is made up of Although Mr. McAdoo has made no Greensville a part of three magisterial (61 duplicate petitions, and contains sylvania County; to appropriate \$35,000 are not qualified voters, but Mr. Hobto meet urgent defich at State Peni- son said his check of the petition lists showed that the qualified vote of the city of Richmond was 14,252, and that JUDGES INCREASE he was confident the required 25 per Senate bill providing for an increase cent would be contained in the pesluggish. In an order to railway pres-Ments of Eastern and Southern terri- of \$500 in the annual salary of the tition. The petition was checked and tory, the director-general referred to Circuit Court judges passed the Senate counted by C. G. Blakeley, who is the fuel administration's recent order, yesterday after much debate and some employed in the City Engineer's office The text of the petition is as fol-

mend:

"We, the undersigned qualified voters residing in the city of Richmond, do

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ENGLISH PREMIER LABOR PARALYZED CALLS FOR TROOPS

Unions by Showing Necessity for Man Power.

BLAME COUNCIL FOR DELAY CHANNEL PORTS THREATENED

Many Citizens Now Support Will Negotiate Peace With Any Government Established by German People.

IBy Associated Press, 1 LONDON, January 18.—Addressing the final conference of the representatives of the trade-unions affected by cil to call a special election to deter. House of Commons last night, David mine whether the city's charter shall Lloyd George, the British Prime Minter Christian, of the Hustings Court, reasons for the necessity of raising B. Hobson, member of the Adminis- ferred at length to his own and the anticipated in political circles for sev. Firding the war aims of the entente

After thanking the representatives Under the provisions of the Acts of for the spirit in which they had met the 1916 General Assembly, these pet the government, the Premier said titions must be checked by Mr. Christ there was no other alternative for tian, and the number of qualified voters raising men except either by raising certified to by him. The paper will the military age or by sending wound-then be presented to Mayor George ed men back and back again to the

mandatory by the Council, once the and his colleagues, who are on the paper is filed, and that all other char, watch tower, could not deny it, and that ter reform movements will be "killed" unless the need had been urgent they demand now. He explained the g ernment's view and continued: "I assume that all of you here

Commissioner Hobson would make no your hearts believe that the war alma ADJOURNS UNTIL MONDAY wond the fact that it had been filed ence represent the minimum of justice Big Road Bills Are Favorably Re- Certain citizens believed the question settlement of this terrible dispute. If ported in Both Houses, and Prog- of charter amendments should be de- we are not able to defeat the tiermans; and the petition had accordingly been power of Prussia, is there any man

about the demands of the extreme war political circles it was hinted last men who want to grab everything and night that efforts would be made by annex the earth and all of the heavenly there at the head of the petition move- firmaments. I am talking about the which was waged unapensored moderate demands of the most pacifist for several weeks during Nevember and souls in this assembly. Try to cash December, to "pack" the election and that check at the Hinderburg bank a charter commission to the It will be returned dishonored. Whatratisfaction of those responsible for ever terms are set forward by any pacifist erator in these lands, you not get them cashed by Von Ludenspecial election, which will great magnates unless you have got

theoretical point he sure could throw previous consultation, because there out the book stuff. I must confess

Social and moral welfare bills, af- the lead of either the City Hall "ins" allied countries it has been received feeting prisons, picture shows, liquor or of the Civic Association, but are with acclaim. There has hardly been ROADS SOUTH OF POTOMAC traffic employment of women and chil- now determined to give Eichmond the a voice raised in criticism except from way be chucke his weight about?"

> "What has been their reception in Germany? I beg you to consider this, action, would reach under his armpit following important rulings by Mr. especially those who think that we are and also scratch. IS DODGING THE ISSUE responsible for perpetuating this horror. The only enemy comment has and Horney; he, too, started scratching, been; Behold, how England is weaken. in a monute or so Hungry Fexeroft "Again, there has been no response an irrevistible desire to lean back plants are permitted to obtain the plies.

members of the Council had little in. make peace without the complete restoration of Belgium and reparation This man pointed out that in other for its wrongs?"

WRONGS OF ALSACE-LORRAINE

"What is the answer from Gereral council mode of government has many?" Lloyd George continued. been created a commission form of came from Von Tirpitz's soul-Never! "There was a demand for the recon-

"When I suggested that Mesoponow pending in the General As- tamia and Palestine should never be sembly and are expected to be approved restored to the tyranny of the Turk, 'We will go on until they are restored' "Is there a single condition laid to which you have had any response (Continued on Fourth Page.)

This Week Is Freight-Moving Week

Are You Moving Preight? Remember That on January 21 Increased Deniurrage Rules Begin. Therefore, CLEAN UP THIS WEEK, and Therenfter

> TRAFFIC BUREAU. BICHMOND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

lond and Unload Within Free Time

AND HELP WIN THE WAR.

What President Wilson Said in Explaining Drastic Fuel Regulation Now in Effect

WASHINGTON, January 18 .- President Wilson to-night gave out the following statement relative to the cause of the drastic fuel order promulgated by Fuel Administrator Garneld. The President also made it known that he stood back of the

fuel administrator for the full enforcement of the regulation. The President said: "I was, of course, consulted by Mr. Garfield before the fuel order of yesterday was issued, and fully agreed with him that it was nevessary, much as I regretted the neces-This war calls for many sperifices, and sperifices of the sort called for by this order are infinitely less than sacrifices of life, which might otherwise be involved. It is

absolutely necessary to get the ships away, it is absolutely neces-

sary to relieve the congestion at the

ports and upon the railways, it is

quantities of food, and it is abso-

nals Germans to Shell

Troops by Color of

Horses.

BY ARTHUR GUY EMPEY,

Author of "Over the Top," "First Call," Etc. 9

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paper Syndicate.)

We were in rest billets in the little

Happy Houghton, who was sitting

"Bline me. Yank, isn't it arful the

Across from me sat Ikey Honney,

with our mascet, Jim, in his lap. Every

leg and furiously scratch at a spot be-

Sailor Bill was intently watching Jim

started on a cootic funt; and I had

against the barrel casing of the gun

on the western front, especially during

a monotonous lecture by some officer

or noncom, for one of the fed-up lis-

teners to start scratching himself.

This generally causes the whole gang

of avery dry sermen suddenly stopping.

stretching himself and yawning, this

action causing the rest of the congre-

As the whole circle scratched, our sergeant instructor commenced to chift

in an uneasy manner. We all gazed at

him intently and each began to scratch

the rounds of the circle. We had ac-

science of machine gunnery to that of

watches. Fifteen minutes more and

the lesson would be over. The sergeant

was becoming confused, and was trying

to flounder through the rest of his

alk. We had no mercy on him, but

kept up the scratching. At last, in

"You men have actually been under

We constantly glanced at our wrist

eatching that particular cootic.

desperation, the sergeant said:

over on the Boches?"

EXPLAINING MACHINE GUN

gation to do likewise.

MIND TAKES DROP PROM

do the same, the instructor included.

next to me, leaned over, and with his

eye on the sergeant, whispered in my

I agreed with Happy.

Two Soldier Sleuths

Capture Enemy's Spy

Discover That Farmer Sig- ADMINISTRATOR BYRD

by Clever Deduction

lutely necessary that our propie should be warmed in their homes if nowhere clae, and half-way messures would not have accomplished the desired ends.

"If action such as this had not been taken, we should have limped along from day to day with a slowly improving condition of affairs with regard to the shipment of food and cont, but without such immediate relief as had become absolutely necessary because of the congestions of traffic which have been piling up for the last few months.

"I have every confidence that the result of action of this sort will justify it, and that the people of the country will loyally and patriotically respond to necessities of other sacrifice involved in the war-We are upon a war footing, and I am confident that the people of the United States are willing to observe the same sort of discipline that might be involved in the actual con

ISSUES FUEL RULINGS

Fuel Administrator Garfield as

to Local Industries.

Laundries Can Operate.

Locomotive Works and

American Locomotive Works and the

Tredegar Iron Works to reopen at

Monday. Fuel Administrator Byrd rules

that theaters and moving-picture

houses may be open on Monday, but may burn only enough fael to keep

their steam plants in order. Pa-

from will be requested to wear

their wraps.

Byrd last night:

and no coal used.

BULING AS TO BUSINESS

Both will resume operations

ORDER CAUSES CONFUSION

Flood of Telegrams Pours Into Department Asking Interpretations.

Members of Senate Get Notice From Dr. Garfield, Declining to Suspend Action.

WASHINGTON, January 18. - The nation's manufacturing industry in the twenty-eight States east of the Mississippi River, was virtually suspended to-day in obedience to the gov-ernment's order curtailing the use of

Most of the plants engaged on war contracts were exempted from the order's operation in telegrams sent out last night, but few of them learned of it in time, and a great majority of them closed down.

Amplifies Instructions of Federal Confusion attending enforcement of

FOOD PRODUCTS EXEMPTED Detailed Instructions as to Wholesale and Retail Stores, Office information concerning exempted Buildings, Theaters, Movies, Etc. dustries that finally the exemption list

equivocal support for the order from President Wilson, and a vigorous defense by Fuel Administrator Garfield Tredegar to Start Work of the step and the government's purpose in taking It. Permission was granted last night

Opposition to the order in Congress apparently spent itself, in debate in both houses. During the day Dr. Garfield replied to the Senate's request of yesterday that the order be suspended or five days, disclaiming any purpose to be discourteous in declining to comply, and again pointing out the neces-

Food Administrator Hoover, in a statement interpreted the order to mean that no check would be put on the operation of any sort of food handling, manufacturing or distribut-

Communications from Fuel Administrator Carneld replying to those of pared by Secretaries Baker and Daniels bind his ear. Henney, noticing this tries, resulted in the issuance of the equipment for ships.

Laundries .- All laundries are exempt, operation under a special ruling, as Hydreelectric Power .- Manufactur, will hundreds of plants turning out ing plants, firms or individuals obtain. materials which enter directly into the ing their power from hydroelectric manufacture of army and navy sup-

same, but cannot heat factories during. Among the collateral industries which the five-day period or each Monday will be classed as not coming within thereafter until March 25. The power provisions of the order will be virfrom hydroelectric plants must be ex- tually all mines producing ores,

HIS VIEWS ON SUBJECT Manufacturing Plants Using Their In his statement supporting Dr. Gar-

Own Refuse for Puel.-Manufacturing field's issuance of the closing order, plants which use shavings, sawdust and President Wilson says he was consultthe refuse of their own products for ed and fully agreed with the fuel adfuel are permitted to operate to the ministrator as to its necessity. If the extent of producing sufficient fuel for action had not been taken, he declares, minimum heating to prevent freezing | mmediate relief could not have been and danger by tire. It is not intended found for the fuel and transportation that such plants should operate to full shortage.

sacritices, and sacritices of the sort ANI PROFESSIONAL OFFICES called for by this order are infinitely Business and Professional Offices,- less than sacrifices of life which might On each Monday, effective Monday, Jan-

Dr. Garfield's statement emphasizes urlously. Sure enough, the sergeant wary 21, and until Monday, March 25, gave in and started unbuttoning the inclusive, no fuel shall be burned ex- the railroad congestion, which he defront of his tunic to get at some real cept to the extent of preventing in. clares is threatening the food supply, imaginary coolie. A nudge went jury from freezing for heating any points to the necessity for moving ships business or professional office, unless to Europe and carries an appeal to complished our purpose. The sergeant's such office is used by the United States, capital to bear its share of the burden brought by the closing order by paymind took an awful drop from the State, county or municipal govern-

"The order suspending temporarily

rifices borne by no single class, "Capital and labor are embarked in

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INDUSTRIES HALTED TO CONSERVE COAL

Factories Having War Contracts Are Granted Right to Continue Operation.

IN ALL PARTS OF NATION

CONGRESS STAGES DEBATE

The country at large knew nothing of exemptions, except the few announced last night, and it was not until late this afternoon that the fuel administration admitted officially that important war work was not affected the order, and gave out a list of hundreds of factories that may continue work on government contracts only during the five-day-closing period.

the order was general. Such a flood of telegrams poured into the offices of the fuel administration asking interpretations and rulings and requesting was given to the press for publica-

The day brought a statement of un-

ing. The plants exempted frm a list pre-

State Fuel Administrator Harry Flood are those manufacturing munitions, now and then Jim would take his hind Byrd asking for further instructions arms and other war supplies for the regarding exemptions of certain indus- government and locomotives and

in the exemption list, will continue

clusively generated by water power PRESIDENT WILSON GIVES

"This war." he said, "calls for many otherwise be involved."

ments, transportation companies or oc- ing employees for the time they are cupied by banks and trust companies idle.

The statement follows: or by physicians and dentists. In the

empted, then only such part of said portions of the United States is drastic. Yes, war is drastic. This war is ance of the building shall be heated the most extensive and involves greater only sufficiently to prevent injury to sacrifices than any war heretofore, property from freezing.

The American people, led by the Presi-They are staking everything for the realization of a great ideal, and the ideal is practical. We know that democracy must be made a reality at home as well as abroad, that its bene-

labor has less financial ability to meet

Ikey Honney, grasping this golden Administrator White, Capitol Building. opportunity to break up the lecture. Richmond. and slyly winking at us, started in Any industries having directly to do and told how a certain gun's crew with the production of food, such as this war because all Americans are in located and put out of action's German potate, vegetable houses, cold storages, it, and the American spirit cries out

machine gunner by playing a tune on all forms of grain storage, grain feed against the least suggestion that the their gun, which the German tried to mills, cereal product manufacturers, burden be shifted to the backs of any imitate, thereby indicating to them by packers, canners, driers, milk dealers, one class, least of all of labor, for (Continued on Fourth Page.)

event that only a part of such build-

ings is occupied by offices above ex-

buildings shall be heated and the bal-

Food Products .-- Any industries hav-

that permit is obtained from State Food

property from freezing.

fire with machine guns several times, ing to do with the production of food,

Can't one of you relate some incident either directly or indirectly, can be

of how, through some ruse, you put it permitted to be exempted, providing